

# 2018–2019 NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

## ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Located 40 miles south of Minneapolis, Northfield High School is a 9–12 public school serving approximately 1,340 students. Also located in Northfield are Carleton College and St. Olaf College. We offer an incredible array of opportunities for a school of our size and are proud to be among the top schools in Minnesota in a variety of categories, including National Merit Scholarship recognition, Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment scores, ACT scores, and Advanced Placement offerings and scores. Our school year is on a semester schedule with school days divided into seven periods, each approximately 50 minutes in length.

## FACULTY

Seventy-three percent of our licensed faculty members hold a master's degree or higher.

## CURRICULUM

NHS students choose from a wide array of courses in art, business, English, family and consumer science, industrial technology, math, music, physical education, science, social studies, wellness and world languages (Spanish, French and German).

A full list of course offerings is available at: [northfieldschools.org/courses](http://northfieldschools.org/courses).

## CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Northfield High School students are engaged in a wide array of co-curricular activities including athletics, academic activities, music and theatre, and a wide variety of clubs. Approximately 85% of Northfield students take part in these activities where leadership development is emphasized. Student Council, LINK, RALIE, Captain's Training and Life of an Athlete are just a few examples of the student leadership programs at our school.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Twenty-three credits are required in grades 9–12. Semester courses are worth 0.5 credit; year-long courses are worth 1.0 credit. Credit distribution is as follows:

ENGLISH: 4.0 credits	SOCIAL STUDIES: 3.5 credits	ART: 1.0 credit
MATH: 3.0 credits	PHYSICAL EDUCATION: 1.0 credit	ELECTIVE: 7.0 credits
SCIENCE: 3.0 credits	HEALTH: 0.5 credit	

## GRADING SYSTEM

A+/A 4.0	B 3.0	C 2.0	D 1.0
A- 3.667	B- 2.667	C- 1.667	D- 0.667
B+ 3.333	C+ 2.333	D+ 1.333	F 0

*Under the weighted system, all A.P. course grades are weighted an additional 25% in GPA points as follows:*

A 5.0	B 3.75	C 2.5
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### Honors / Advanced Courses

Advanced American Literature  
Advanced British Literature  
Advanced English 9  
Foundations for A.P. Sciences  
Honors Algebra 2  
Honors Geometry  
Honors Pre-Calculus

### Advanced Placement Courses

Biology  
Calculus AB  
Chemistry  
Computer Science A  
Economics (Macro/Micro)  
Environmental Science  
French Language  
German Language  
Literature & Composition  
Physics 1  
Physics 2  
Psychology  
Spanish Language  
Spanish Literature  
Statistics  
U.S. History  
World History

### Advanced Placement Exams 2018

STUDENTS TESTED: 231  
TOTAL EXAMS: 418  
SCORING 3 OR HIGHER: 84.7%

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## Advanced Placement Exams

2018 Exams	Total Exams	Average Score
Biology	41	3.8
Calculus AB	33	2.79
Calculus BC	3	3
Chemistry	50	2.92
Computer Science A	7	4.29
Economics – Micro	10	3.8
Economics – Macro	15	3.8
Environmental Science	7	3.29
French Language	3	1.67
German Language	13	3.62
Literature & Composition	25	3.48
Physics 1	8	4
Physics 2	5	2.8
Physics C: Mechanics	2	4
Psychology	68	4.29
Spanish Language	29	3.28
Spanish Literature	2	2
Statistics	38	4.11
U.S. Government & Politics	6	4
U.S. History	24	4
World History	26	3.81

## ACT Average Scores

Year	Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2017	317	21.9	22.6	23.3	22.7	22.7
2016	298	22.3	22.8	23.3	22.6	22.9
2015	258	22.7	23.2	23.8	23.2	23.3
2014	238	23.5	24.6	24.6	24.1	24.4
2013	251	23.1	24	23.9	23.5	23.7

## National Merit Recognition

Class of	Semi-Finalist	Commended	Total
2018	2	3	5
2017	4	6	10
2016	3	7	10
2015	0	3	3
2014	0	5	5

## Class of 2019 Sixth Semester Weighted GPA Distribution

Median	4.0 +	3.75–3.99	3.5–3.74	3.25–3.49	3.0–3.24
3.445	43	58	58	43	25
2.75–2.99	2.5–2.74	2.25–2.49	2.0–2.24	1.75–1.99	<1.75
33	21	22	16	6	9

## CLASS OF 2018 POST-SECONDARY PLANS

GRADUATES: 270

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE: 66%

TWO-YEAR COLLEGE: 17%

ROTARY EXCHANGE BEFORE COLLEGE: 5%

MILITARY: 4%

WORK: 1%

OTHER: 7%

Arizona State University (1)  
 Augsburg University (1)  
 Aveda Institute (1)  
 Ball State University (1)  
 Bemidji State University (5)  
 Bethel University (2)  
 Carleton College (4)  
 Case Western Reserve University (1)  
 College of Saint Benedict (2)  
 College of St. Scholastica (1)  
 Concordia College (4)  
 Concordia University (2)  
 Cornell University (1)  
 Creighton University (1)  
 Crown College (1)  
 Dakota County Technical College (8)  
 Drake University (1)  
 Ellsworth Community College (1)  
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (1)  
 Gustavus Adolphus College (10)  
 Hamilton College (1)  
 Hamline University (1)  
 Hillsdale College (1)  
 Inver Hills Community College (5)

Iowa State University (4)  
 IPR College of Creative Arts (1)  
 Lake Superior College (1)  
 Lewis & Clark College (1)  
 Luther College (4)  
 Macalester College (2)  
 Michigan Technological University (1)  
 Minneapolis College of Art and Design (1)  
 Minnesota State University, Mankato (6)  
 Minnesota State University Moorhead (1)  
 Montana State University (2)  
 Normandale Community College (5)  
 North Dakota State University (3)  
 Ridgewater College (1)  
 Riverland Community College (4)  
 Rochester Community and Technical College (3)  
 Saint Mary's University of Minnesota (1)  
 South Central College (2)  
 St. Catherine University (1)  
 St. John's University (1)  
 St. Olaf College (21)  
 Union College (1)  
 Universal Technical Institute (2)  
 University of Colorado Boulder (1)

University of Iowa (1)  
 University of Kansas (1)  
 University of Manitoba (1)  
 University of Minnesota Duluth (6)  
 University of Minnesota Morris (2)  
 University of Minnesota Rochester (2)  
 University of Minnesota Twin Cities (14)  
 University of North Dakota (1)  
 University of Northern Iowa (3)  
 University of Pittsburgh (1)  
 University of Puget Sound (1)  
 University of South Dakota (1)  
 University of St. Thomas (4)  
 University of Winnipeg (1)  
 University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire (2)  
 University of Wisconsin–La Crosse (1)  
 University of Wisconsin–Platteville (2)  
 University of Wisconsin–River Falls (5)  
 University of Wisconsin–Stout (2)  
 Vassar College (1)  
 Wartburg College (1)  
 Winona State University (8)  
 Yale University (1)